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TIOGA COUNTY COVID-19 UPDATE – SEPTEMBER 4, 2020

Owego, NY – Tioga County Legislative Chairwoman Sauerbrey reported the following Tioga County COVID-19 Statistics:

- 223 Confirmed Cases Total confirmed cases, to date.
- **59 Individuals in Mandatory Quarantine -** These are individuals who have had close contact (6 ft.) with someone who has tested positive, but is not displaying symptoms for COVID-19; or individuals that have traveled to China, Iran, Japan, South Korea, or Italy and is displaying symptoms of COVID-19; or individuals who traveled outside of New York State to one of the states identified by the Governor with a mandatory 14-day quarantine period upon return.
- **195 Recovered** Total number of individuals who had a confirmed case of COVID-19 and are now symptom and fever-free that meet the criteria to be released from Isolation.
- 3 Active Cases
- 25 Deaths

This is a snapshot of data provided to Tioga County Public Health at this point in time. Administered tests are tracked in various ways. Test results are reported.

Tioga County Legislative Chairwoman Sauerbrey reported Governor Andrew M. Cuomo announced that New York school districts will be required to provide the Department of Health with daily data on the number of people who have tested positive for COVID-19 in each school beginning Tuesday, Sept. 8. The information will be publicly available on a new online dashboard developed by DOH, which will be found on https://forward.ny.gov/dashboard-covid-19-data-schools beginning Wednesday Sept. 9. DOH Commissioner Dr. Howard Zucker today sent a letter to all school districts informing them of the reporting requirements and the new dashboard.

The districts must also provide a link to the daily dashboard on their website for other interested parties. That information will be updated daily.

In addition, the Governor announced the *New York Forward* guidance for personal care has been amended to permit services that require a customer to remove their face covering. The updated detailed guidance can be found at https://www.governor.ny.gov/sites/governor.ny.gov/files/atoms/files/Personal Care Detailed Guidelines.pdf, which provides the following:

"Responsible Parties are prohibited from offering personal care services that may require customers to remove face coverings (e.g., face massage, facials, face waxing around lip or nose areas, face tattoos, facial makeup, cosmetic lip tattooing, lip or nose piercings, beard trimming or shaves), unless the employee is wearing a face shield or similar barrier in addition to their face covering. Further, any employee performing such services must be tested, at least once on or after September 3, 2020, for COVID-19 through a diagnostic test and receive a negative result prior to the employee performing services that require removal of a customer's face covering."

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